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Title:

ACTIVE MATRIX SUBSTRATE, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME,

AND IMAGE SENSOR INCORPORATING THE SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment 41 minus highest number previously paid for 41 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
Independent claims after amendment 11 minus highest number previously paid for 11 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 84.00	\$	0.00
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper)	\$	0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)	\$	0.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00	\$	0.00
☐ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) ☐ Please enter the previously unentered , filed ☐ Submission attached	\$	0.00
Subtotal	\$	0.00
If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith	-\$	0.00
Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00)	\$	0.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)	\$	0.00
Other:		0.00
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED	\$	0.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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ELECTION UNDER 35 USC §121

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002, Applicants elect Species I (the species of Figs. 2, 4, 6 and 8, claims 1, 3-8, 31 and 34) for further prosecution in the event no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicants believe claims 32 and 33 should be classified in Species IV rather than in Species V, because the characteristic of claim 32 that is "depositing an electrode layer on the active matrix substrate and patterning the electrode layer so as to fabricate the scanning line and the pixel electrode" is same as the characteristic of claims 16 included in Species VI.

In Applicants' judgment, applicants show the relation between claims and the drawings that show cross-sectional views of the active matrix substrate as the respective species which correspond to the existing claims as follows:

Species I:

Figs. 2, 4, 6 and 8

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Figs. 2, 4, 6 and 8

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Species IV

Figs. 20 and 21

Species V

Figs. 23, 25, 27, 29 and 31

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As shown, Fig. 25 represents not Species III but Species V and Fig. 27 represent not Species IV but Species V.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account no. 14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of this Amendment and the continued pendency of the captioned application, including but not limited to any extension of time fees.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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